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REMARKS

This application is a divisional from Patent Application Serial No. 09/675,696. The withdrawn claims are currently the subject matter for an Appeal before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences.

Applicant respectfully requests timely examination of the case and issuance of a notice of allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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